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PASS TREASURY FOR RAY AND COMMERCE FOR MACONE

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SUBJECT: UNCTAD: LANGUAGE PROPOSED IN CONTACT GROUP ON
UNCTAD IV AGENDA

REF: GENEVA 6256

1. SUMMARY: GROUP OF 77, GROUP D AND GROUP B HAVE
PRESENTED LANGUAGE IN CONTACT GROUP FOR UNCTAD IV AGENDA
ITEMS. TEXTS ARE GIVEN BELOW. WORK OF CONTACT GROUP WAS
DELAYED DUE TO CONTROVERSY BETWEEN G-77 AND GROUP D OVER
INCLUSION OF AGENDA ITEM ON TRADE AMONG COUNTRIES HAVING
DIFFERENT ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL SYSTEMS. CONTACT GROUP HAS NOW
DISCUSSED ITEMS ON COMMODITIES, MANUFACTURES, TRANSFER OF
TECHNOLOGY, LEAST DEVELOPED, ETC. AND COOPERATION AMONG
LDCS, BUT NOTHING AS YET AGREED. GREATEST DIFFICULTIES EXIST
OVER FIRST THREE. GROUP B IS ITSELF DIVIDED OVER
COMMODITIES ITEM WORDING AND SENTENCE UNDER TRANSFER OF
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TECHNOLOGY ON REVISION OF PATENT SYSTEM. USDEL WOULD

APPRECIATE NEGOTIATING GUIDANCE ON MATTERS DISCUSSED
BELOW AND ITEMS NOT YET TAKEN UP BY 9:00 A.M. FRIDAY
AUGUST 15. END OF SUMMARY.

2. GROUP OF 77 DRAFT PROVISIONAL AGENDA: QUOTE

COMMODITIES:

- DECISIVE ACTION ON COMMODITIES, INCLUDING
IMPLEMENTATION OF THE INTEGRATED PROGRAMME, IN
THE LIGHT OF THE NEED FOR STRUCTURAL CHANGE IN
THE WORLD COMMODITY ECONOMY.

MANUFACTURES AND SEMI-MANUFACTURES:

- LAUNCHING OF A COMPREHENSIVE STRATEGY TO STRENGTHEN
AND DIVERSIFY THE EXPORT TRADE OF DEVELOPING
COUNTRIES IN THE CONTEXT OF GOALS FOR ACCELERATED
INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT.

RECENT TRENDS IN INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND DEVELOPMENT:

- EVALUATION OF THE MTN AND OTHER ACTION AND
DECISIONS TAKEN AT THE INTERNATIONAL LEVEL.

MONEY AND FINANCE:

- ACTION PROGRAMME TO ALLEVIATE THE CRITICAL
DEBT PROBLEMS OF MANY DEVELOPING COUNTRIES;

- MECHANISMS TO ENSURE PROVISION OF NET CAPITAL
FLOWS TO DEVELOPING COUNTRIES COMMENSURATE WITH
THEIR LONG-TERM EXTERNAL FINANCING NEEDS, AND
MEASURES TO FINANCE, ON APPROPRIATE TERMS AND
CONDITIONS, THE DEFICITS OF MANY DEVELOPING COUNTRIES
ARISING FROM INFLATION AND RECESSION IN DEVELOPED
COUNTRIES;

- DEVELOPMENTS IN THE INTERNATIONAL MONETARY FIELD,
AND REQUIREMENTS FOR EVOLVING AN INTERNATIONAL
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MONETARY SYSTEM THAT WOULD PROMOTE DEVELOPMENT
AND WORLD TRADE.

TRANSFER OF TECHNOLOGY:

- DECISIONS ON THE CODE OF CONDUCT FOR THE TRANSFER
OF TECHNOLOGY AND ON THE MODALITIES FOR ITS ESTAB-
LISHMENT;

- DECISION ON THE MODALITIES FOR REVISION OF THE
PATENT SYSTEM;

- ADOPTION OF A PROGRAMME OF ACTION TO STRENGTHEN
THE TECHNOLOGICAL BASE OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES.
LEAST DEVELOPED AMONG DEVELOPING COUNTRIES, DE-
VELOPING ISLAND COUNTRIES AND DEVELOPING LAND-
LOCKED COUNTRIES:

- LAUNCHING OF A PLAN OF ACTION INCLUDING SPECIAL
ASSISTANCE MEASURES IN FAVOUR OF THESE COUNTRIES.

INSTITUTIONAL ISSUES:

- RECOMMENDATIONS ON THE FUTURE ROLE OF UNCTAD,
AND DECISIONS ON FUTURE INSTITUTIONAL ARRANGEMENTS
WITHIN UNCTAD.

ECONOMIC CO-OPERATION AMONG DEVELOPING COUNTRIES:

- ACTION TO SUPPORT THE MEASURES AND INITIATIVES
TAKEN BY THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES TO STRENGTHEN
ECONOMIC CO-OPERATION AMONG THEMSELVES. UNQUOTE

3. GROUP B DRAFT PROVISIONAL AGENDA (BRACKETED ITEMS
WERE FALL-BACK POSITIONS). QUOTE

RECENT TRENDS IN INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND DEVELOPMENT:

(A) REVIEW AND EVALUATION OF CURRENT INTERNATIONAL
NEGOTIATIONS AND ACTIONS FOR LIBERALISATION OF
TRADE.

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(B) REVIEW OF DEVELOPMENTS IN THE INTERNATIONAL
MONETARY FIELD (AND CONSIDERATION OF REQUIREMENTS
FOR EVOLVING AN INTERNATIONAL MONETARY SYSTEM THAT
WOULD PROMOTE DEVELOPMENT AND WORLD TRADE).

COMMODITIES:

MEASURES TO STRENGTHEN AND STABILISE INTERNATIONAL
TRADE IN COMMODITIES, INCLUDING THE CONSIDERATION
OF AND CONCLUSIONS ON THE ELEMENTS OF AN INTEGRATED
APPROACH.

MANUFACTURES AND SEMI-MANUFACTURES:

MEASURES TO STRENGTHEN AND DIVERSIFY THE EXPORT
TRADE OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES IN MANUFACTURES AND
SEMI-MANUFACTURES, WITH A VIEW TO ACCELERATED
INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT.

TRANSFER OF REAL RESOURCES FOR DEVELOPMENT:

- MEASURES TO INCREASE AND IMPROVE THE EFFECTIVE-
NESS OF NET FINANCIAL FLOWS TO DEVELOPING COUNTRIES,
PARTICULARLY THE POOREST COUNTRIES, COMMENSURATE
WITH THEIR LONG-TERM EXTERNAL FINANCING NEEDS.

- MEASURES TO MAINTAIN IN BALANCE, ON APPROPRIATE
TERMS AND CONDITIONS, THE FINANCIAL AND MONETARY
SITUATION OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES, COMMENSURATE
WITH THEIR DEVELOPMENT NEEDS.

- MEASURES AS APPROPRIATE, TO ALLEVIATE CRITICAL
DEBT PROBLEMS OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES.

TRANSFER OF TECHNOLOGY:

STRENGTHENING THE TECHNOLOGICAL BASE OF DEVELOPING
COUNTRIES:

- UNIVERSALLY ACCEPTABLE AND APPLICABLE CODE OF
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CONDUCT FOR THE TRANSFER OF TECHNOLOGY;

- MEASURES TO FACILITATE THE PROCESS OF TRANSFER OF
TECHNOLOGY THROUGH PATENTS;

- MEASURES WITHIN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES AND BY THE
INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY, THROUGH TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE,
TO STRENGTHEN THE TECHNOLOGICAL CAPACITY OF
DEVELOPING COUNTRIES.

ECONOMIC CO-OPERATION AMONG DEVELOPING COUNTRIES:

MEASURES DESIGNED TO DERIVE MAXIMUM ADVANTAGE FROM:

- REVIEW OF COMPLEMENTARITIES BETWEEN DEVELOPING
COUNTRIES WHICH WOULD ASSIST IN THEIR MUTUAL
DEVELOPMENT;

- EFFORTS WITHIN THE INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC SYSTEM
TO PROMOTE AND FACILITATE CO-OPERATION;

- INTERNATIONAL ASSISTANCE TO PROMOTE CO-OPERATION

BETWEEN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES.

INSTITUTIONAL ISSUES:

RECOMMENDATIONS ON THE FUTURE ROLE OF UNCTAD AND
DECISIONS ON FUTURE INSTITUTIONAL ARRANGEMENTS
WITHIN UNCTAD, IN THE LIGHT OF PROPOSALS FOR
REFORM AND CHANGE IN THE UNITED NATIONS SYSTEM
AS A WHOLE. UNQUOTE.

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4. IN CONTACT GROUP CANADA PUT FORWARD AD REFERENDUM
TEXT ON COMMODITIES WHICH WAS MODIFIED IN DIALOGUE WITH
INDIA SPAEKING FOR G-77. TEXT BELOW WAS TAKEN BACK TO
GROUPS. WORDS IN BRACKETS INSISTED ON BY INDIA.

"ACTION, IN THE LIGHT OF THE NEED FOR CHANGES IN THE
WORLD ECONOMY, TO IMPROVE, EXPAND AND STABLIIZE INTER-
NATIONAL TRADE IN COMMODITIES, INCLUDING THE CONSIDERATION
OF AND DECISIONS ON THE ELEMENTS OF AN INTEGRATED

PROGRAM, COVERING THE OBJECTIVES, TECHNIQUES AND MECHANISMS (FOR ITS IMPLEMENTATION)". IN GROUP B CAUCUS, CANADA, AUSTRALIA, NORDICS WERE ABLE TO ACCEPT TEXT, EVEN WITH BRACKETS DELETED. JAPAN, FRG, UK, ITALY, SWITZERLAND AND U.S. HAD VARIOUS OBJECTIONS. U.S. RESERVED PENDING DISCUSSIONS WITH WASHINGTON. GROUP B AGREED TO GO FORWARD WITH TEXT ENDING AFTER "PROGRAM" AND ADDING AFTER WORDS "WORLD COMMODITY ECONOMY" THE FOLLOWING SUGGESTION OF AUSTRALIA: "AND HAVING REGARD LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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IN PARTICULAR TO THE INTERESTS OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES."

5. WE DO NOT EXPECT THIS TEXT TO MAKE ANY HEADWAY WITH G-77 AND GROUP B NOT PREPARED TO STAND FIRM. IF OCCASION PRESENTS, WE WILL PRESENT FOLLOWING CORE TEXT PENDING GUIDANCE FROM WASHINGTON ON REFERENCES TO "AN INTEGRATED PROGRAM": "ACTION ON COMMODITIES, INCLUDING DECISIONS ON AN INTEGRATED PROGRAM IN THE LIGHT OF THE CONCLUSIONS OF THE COMMITTEE ON COMMODITIES AT ITS DECEMBER 1975 SESSION ON SUCH AN APPROACH."

6. AFTER EXTENSIVE DISCUSSION OF TRANSFER OF TECHNOLOGY IN CONTACT GROUP, SMALL DRAFTING GROUP INCLUDING CANADA AND JAPAN CAME FORWARD WITH FOLLOWING SUB-ITEMS:

"ACTION TO STRENGTHEN THE TECHNOLOGICAL CAPACITY OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES; DECISIONS ON A CODE OF CONDUCT FOR THE TRANSFER OF TECHNOLOGY AND ON THE ELABORATION OF THE MODALITIES FOR ITS ESTABLISHMENT; DECISIONS ON THE MODALITIES FOR, AND ON THE ROLE OF UNCTAD IN, THE REVISION OF THE PATENT SYSTEM." LONG DISCUSSION IN GROUP B REACHED NO CONCLUSION AND WILL BE TAKEN UP AGAIN THIS AFTERNOON. SWISS PRESENTED ALTERNATIVE DRAFT WHICH U.S. SUPPORTED AND SUGGESTED THE MODIFICATIONS GIVEN IN PARENTHESES. "ACTION TO FACILITATE THE TRANSFER OF TECHNOLOGY (TO DEVELOPING COUNTRIES) THROUGH (DEVELOPMENT OF OR DECISIONS ON) A CODE OF CONDUCT; CONSIDERATION OF THE ROLE OF UNCTAD IN ASSISTING DEVELOPING COUNTRIES IN VIEW OF THE REVISION OF THE INTERNATIONAL PATENT SYSTEM. (ACTIONS TO BE UNDERTAKEN BY UNCTAD TO FACILITATE THE PROCESS OF TRANSFER OF TECHNOLOGY TO DEVELOPING COUNTRIES THROUGH PATENTS IN VIEW OF THE ONGOING REVISION OF THE INTERNATIONAL PATENT SYSTEM AND THE ROLE OF UNCTAD IN THE ECONOMIC, COMMERCIAL AND DEVELOPMENT ASPECTS OF THE PATENT SYSTEM.)" THE LAST PHRASE IS TAKEN FROM THE PREAMBULAR PARAS DEALING WITH UNCTAD'S COMPETENCE IN THE PATENT FIELD OF THE JULY 1974 RESOLUTION ON THIS MATTER.

7. ON THE MANUFACTURES ITEM, GROUP B AGREED TO PRESENT
AND STICK TO THE FOLLOWING COMPROMISE PROPOSAL IN
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TODAY'S CONTACT GROUP MEETING: "MEASURES (OR ACTION),
INCLUDING THE ELABORATION OF (AND DECISION ON) A
COMPREHENSIVE STRATEGY, TO EXPAND AND DIVERSIFY THE
EXPORT TRADE OF THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES IN MANUFACTURES
AND SEMI-MANUFACTURES TO ACCELERATE THEIR "INDUSTRIAL
DEVELOPMENT." G-77 APPEARS DETERMINED TO GET IN A
REFERENCE, EVEN OBLIQUELY, TO LIMA TARGET OF 25 PERCENT
BY THE YEAR 2000.

8. WORK OF CONTACT GROUP HAS BEEN BADLY DELAYED BY
G-77 AND GROUP D CONTROVERSY OVER INCLUSION OF AN AGENDA
ITEM ON TRADE AMONG COUNTRIES HAVING DIFFERENT ECONOMIC
AND SOCIAL SYSTEMS. G-77 HAS NOW AGREED TO INCLUSION
OF ITEM BUT IS REQUIRING IT TO HAVE AN ACTION CONTENT.
GROUP D SPOKESMAN, USSR, IS RESISTING AND CONCURRENTLY
OBJECTING TO THE G-77 PROPOSALS ON THE OTHER AGENDA
ITEMS, SOME OF WHICH MAY TRULY BOTHER THEM, SUCH AS
MANUFACTURES ITEM INVOLVING DEPLOYMENT OF INDUSTRIES.

9. USDEL WOULD APPRECIATE IMMEDIATE GUIDANCE ON TIEMS
DISCUSSED ABOVE AND ON CONTROVERSIAL AREAS OF MONEY
AND FINANCE AND RECENT TRENDS IN INTERNATIONAL TRADE
AND DEVELOPMENT. GUIDANCE ON COMMODITIES AND TRANSFER
OF TECHNOLOGY WOULD BE PARTICULARLY USEFUL. WE EXPECT
LATE MEETINGS TONIGHT AND TOMORROW NIGHT WITH BOARD
SESSION LIKELY TO RUN ON TO SATURDAY. DALE

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